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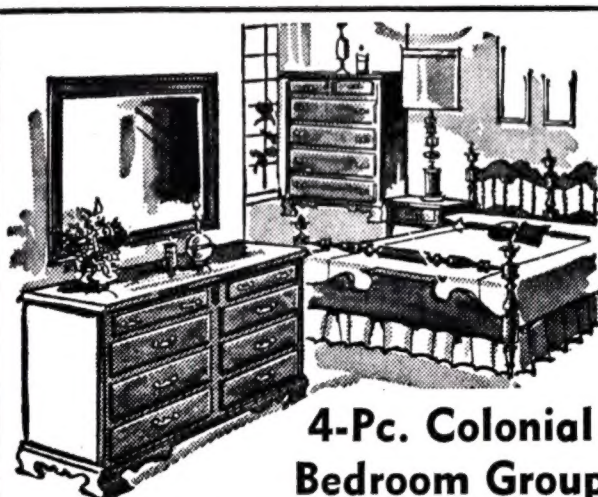
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Dear Mr. Kulp,

Referring to Page 6 of The February PANORAMA — the hotel at the bottom of the page is not one in Newtown, but the old hotel in Applebachsville on the Old Bethlehem Road. The trees and the second porch are gone, and presently there are four apartments in the building. There is little change to the shed beyond — also converted to apartments. The house beyond was built about 1845 by General Applebach for his Aunt Belle and his cousin.

—Eva Horne Derr
Quakertown, Pa.

(Ed note — thanks for the correction)

Dear Contest Editor:

What run this has been!

—(Mrs.) Gertrude Holland
King of Prussia, Pa.

(Mrs. Holland refers to our "Unscramble the Towns Contest" that appeared in the January issue. Complete results and list of winners appears in this issue)

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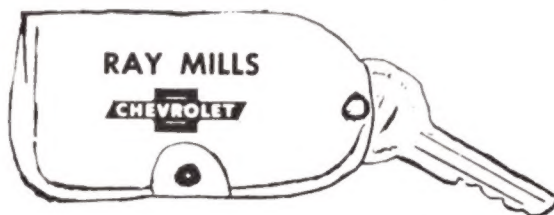
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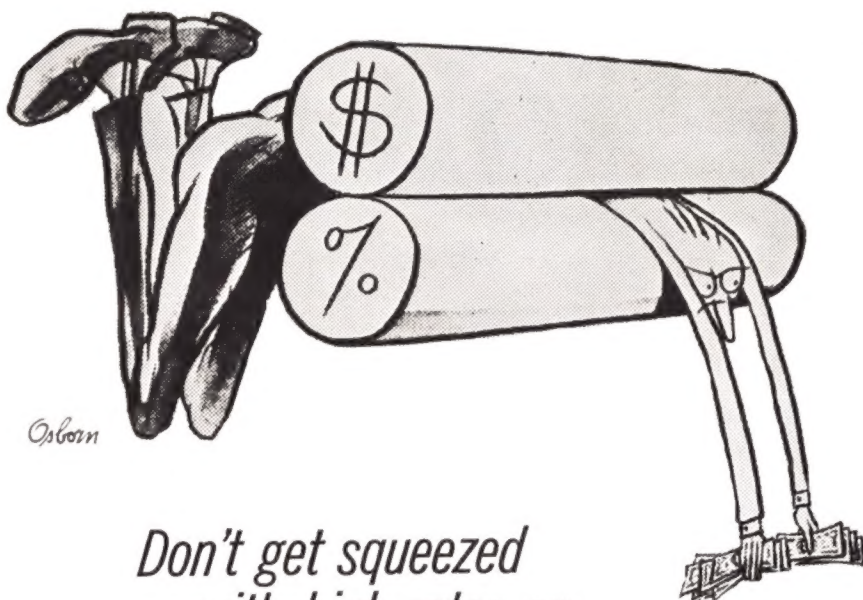
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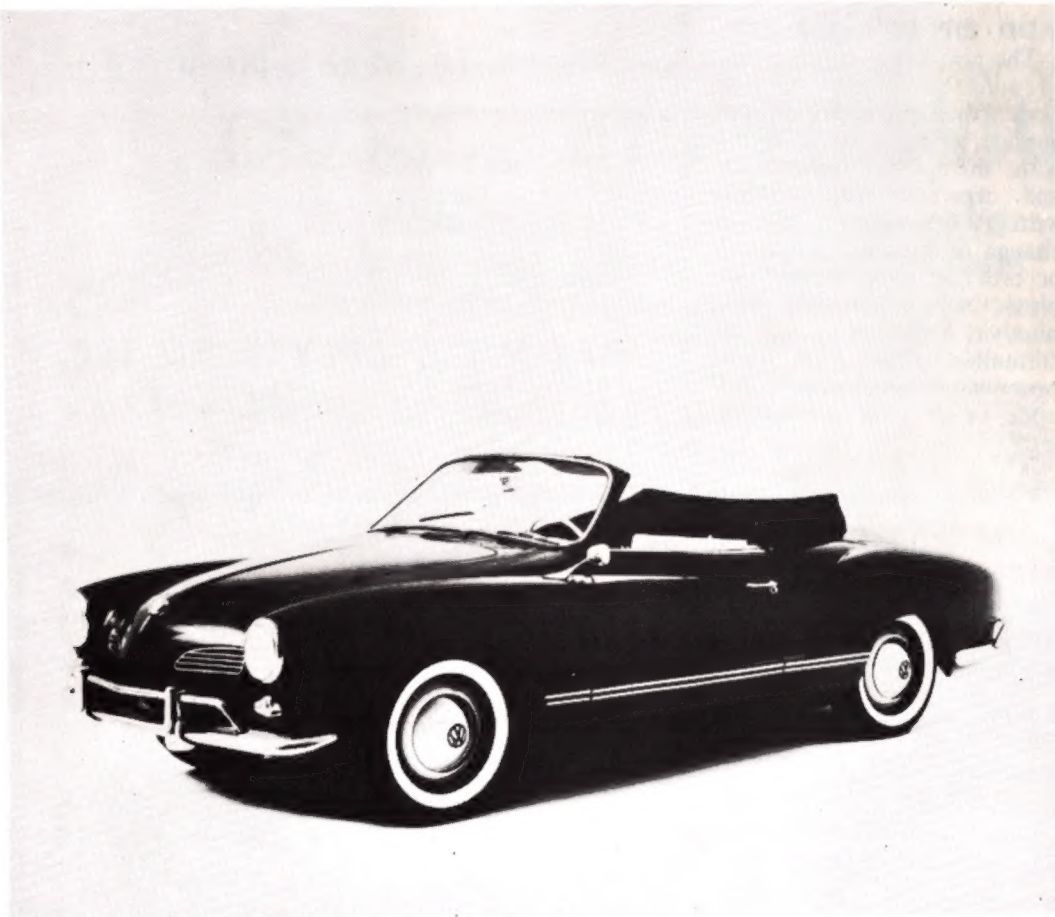


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Those winning the movie passes were: Mrs. Edward Hoida, Danboro; Harry Hobensack, Doylestown; Martha Williams, Doylestown; Doris Walters, Trevoise; Mrs. John Harris, Ivyland; Marie Flagler, Upper Black Eddy; Myrtle Beck, Doylestown; Harry Gehris, Warrington; Don Fischer, Chalfont; T.M. Thierolf, Doylestown; J. Lester Schwartz, RD#2, Doylestown; Mrs. Horace Sigafoos, Erwinna; Bill Keller, Point Pleasant; David Scoboria, Ottsville, RD; Willis L. Heacock, Plumsteadville; Beatrice Smith, Pipersville RD; Mrs. Ed Ferris, Doylestown; Miss Edith Hall, Hatboro; Mrs. E.M. Funk, Doylestown; Janet Reed, Doylestown; Charles Radcliff, Doylestown; Florence J. Wiser, Doylestown; Raymond Rutherford, Trenton, N.J.; Carole Lavin, Doylestown; Stephen Arenschield, Solebury; Jeff Zaks, Warrington; M.H. Scheetz, Riegelsville.

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OUR COVER

Our photographer caught this spring scene of the waterfall at Ralph Stover Park near Pt. Pleasant, proving that Spring is in the air, and summer will soon be here.

CONTEST DRAWS MANY ENTRIES

Panorama's annual "Unscramble The Towns Contest" that appeared in the January 1965 issue brought more than 500 letters to the Contest Editor's desk. From every corner of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and from as far away as Montana, Florida and Hawaii came the letters entering the contest. There were so many correct answers that all of the correct answers were put in a large box and a drawing was held.

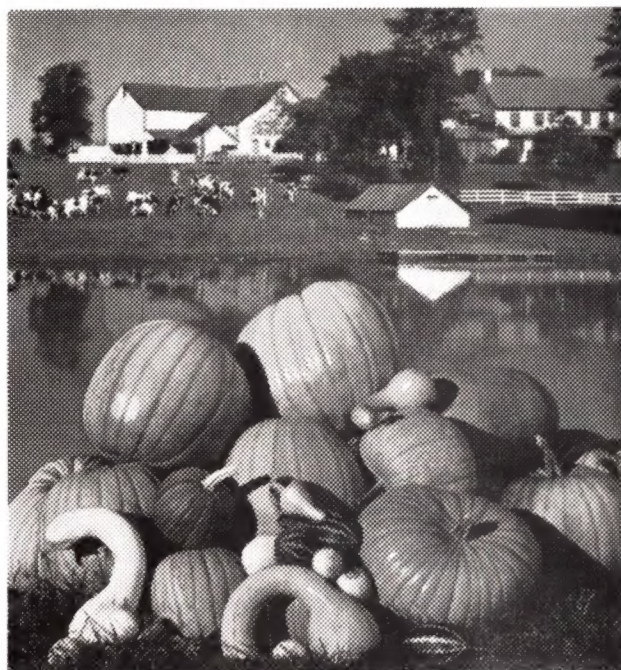
Many readers found the contest a little tougher this year than in the past, while others claimed it was a snap. The correct answers were as follows:

1. TOMRAZ—Mozart

2. RELAYIOLVTLS—
Taylorsville
3. TORN SGWIHTW—
Wrightstown
4. TISNAREWRM—
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5. LAHCEMLEVICNSI—
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10. VAVLILSIED—
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11. AHAKSAL—Lahaska

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PANORAMA is looking for photographic essays, single photos of Bucks County, drawings, personality stories of interesting people in Bucks, and Historical Bucks County articles.

Also, if you know of an interesting story which you think should be written up by a PANORAMA editor, don't hesitate to contact us.

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1-30 NEW HOPE — Delaware Canal Mule-drawn Barge Rides, Wed., Sat., Sun. 1-3-4:30-6:00 p.m.

8-9-10 DOYLESTOWN — Antique Show, Bucks County Antique Dealers' Assn. The Armory, Shewell Avenue—Noon-10:00 p.m.

11 HOLICONG — Horse Show, Benefit Academy of Vocal Arts, "Elmgrove" — Paxson Farm, Route 202, 8:30 a.m. - all day.

15-30 NEW HOPE — "Lenteboden" — Living catalog display of early tulips and daffodils, River Road.

16 - May 8 NEW HOPE — School Art — Bucks-Hunterdon County, Parry Barn.

17-18, 24-25 ERWINNA — Art Show by Stirling Spadia. Portraits and Landscapes. Stover Mill, River Road, Route 32.

24 DOYLESTOWN — Concert — Bucks County Symphony Orchestra. Lenape Jr. High School Auditorium, Route 202. 8:30 p.m.

25 LANGHORNE — Pineway Riding Club Horse Show, Pineway Farms, Woodburne Road. 9:00 a.m.

30 FALLSINGTON — Spring Meeting, Historic Fallsington, Inc. Guest Speaker — The Honorable John K. Tabor, Sec'y. of Commerce — 8 p.m.

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MAY, 1965

1 DOYLESTOWN — Concert, Westminster Choir College, Central Bucks High School Auditorium — 8:30 p.m. Benefit Doylestown Hospital.

1 DOYLESTOWN — Annual Meeting, Bucks County Historical Society. Elkins Building. 2:00 p.m.

1 NEW HOPE — Opening Bucks County Playhouse.

1 WASHINGTON CROSSING — Annual Dedication Penn's Woods Memorial trees, Capt. James Moore pavilion. 11:00 a.m.

1 WASHINGTON CROSSING — Fifth Anniversary Celebration, Bucks County Historical - Tourist Commission, Washington Crossing Inn — 1:30 p.m.

1-2 ERWINNA — Art Show by Stirling Spadia. Portraits and Landscapes. Stover Mill, River Road, Route 32.

1-8 LANGHORNE — "Sunday in New York" — Langhorne Players, The Barn, Bridgeton Pike. 8:30 p.m.

1-8 NEW HOPE — School Art — Bucks - Hunterdon County—Parry Barn.

1-16 YARDLEY — Art Show — Yardley Art Association (Exhibitors — Invitation only) Community Center. Donation.

1-26 NEW HOPE — "Lenteboden" — Living Catalog Display May Flowering Bulbs. River Road.

1-31 NEW HOPE — Delaware Canal Mule - Drawn Barge Rides. **Time Change** — Daily except Monday—1-3-4:30-6:00 p.m.

2 LEVITTOWN — Colonial Coin Club of Pennsylvania, Open House, Levittown Fire Company #2, Newportville Road and Five Points.

8 NEW HOPE — Open House Day — 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

8-9-16-16-22-23-29-30 ERWINNA — Art Exhibit by Ossie Rometo, Stover Mill, Saturday and Sunday—2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Paintings and drawings.

9 FEASTERVILLE — Spring Show — Huntingdon Valley Riding & Driving Assn., Pine and County Line Roads.

13 WASHINGTON CROSSING — Dedication Bowman's Hill State Wild Flower Preserve Headquarters Building, Bowman's Hill Section, Washington Crossing State Park.

14-15, 21-22 BUCKINGHAM — "The Bald Soprano" and "The American Dream", Town & Country Players, The Barn, Route 263 between Furlong and Buckingham.

15 DOYLESTOWN — "May Day" — Tabor Home, Route 611.



Nearly hidden by large old trees is the beautiful old Friends Meeting House at Langhorne. (Panorama Photo by Lorimer Dager)

THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY



THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD AT YARDLEY

by
Lynne Holgate

The rustic barn-red gift shop sleeping lazily at the foot of the Delaware Canal on Yardley's Afton Avenue was a bustling center of activity just a century ago.

The old Canal Shoppe was a major slave supply depot—an essential tie in the Underground Railroad that gave freedom to more than 3,000-000 persecuted slaves just before the Civil War. Today, the nostalgic gift shop still serves the passer-by.

A network of depots planted at regular 10-mile intervals between the Mason-Dixon Line and Canada, the URR was primarily manned by Quaker stationmasters. Escaping slaves hid in the outposts—like the Canal Shoppe—by day, and drifted silently north along the Canal in flatboats by night. More often than not, the persecuted darkies were covered with corn stalks and leaves for additional protection as they lay sprawled out on flatboat decks.

History books claim the Mason Dixon line was 2 point freedom" for the slaves. However, one Bucks County chronicler wrote that Columbia (a small Pennsylvania town midway between Lancaster and York) was really the point at which the men who were bought and sold could consider themselves free.

It didn't take Southern slave masters too long to unmask Columbia as home base in this pre-Civil War game of hide and seek. But, the Quakers would not be defeated in their moralistic cause to help the slaves. They instigated three escape lines where only one route had previously existed. One headed north, the second northwest, and the third northeast—like prongs of a fork with Columbia the handle.

In this way, chances for a safe trip were three times as great. Not only were the slaves traveling along three secret lines, but they were also escaping in small groups. In the slave's mind, safety certainly did not lie in numbers.

Here in Yardley, Quaker

sympathizers were distinctly different from northern abolitionists. The Quakers, as was mentioned before, helped the slaves for moral reasons. Abolitionists were organized by Garrison of Boston; thus, the name — "Garrisonian Abolitionists." The latter wanted to fight slavery on a group basis. In Yardley, the majority of Friends were more "friend" than "freedom fighters."

Aaron LaRue, the first Canal Shoppe owner, was a Quaker friend to the slaves. Operating Canal House No. 10, LaRue wasn't frightened by threats of a \$2,000 fine and six months in jail for aiding the slaves. After all, his canal house was a good front to the underground. Flatboats were as common as horses in the last century. A flatboat, a little hay or a few corn stalks, and there it was—the perfect cover up for a freedom-seeking slave.

For more than 50 years, flatboats floated down the canal from Easton to Bristol carrying coal and freight to towns like Yardley along the Lehigh Canal. The canal was in fact, 1831's Main Street.

An 1831 diary in the Yardley Library suggests:

"The growth of the village derived some impetus from the construction and opening of the canal in 1831." Because of the canal, "The Yardleyville of today is much more pretentious village than its ancestor of 70 years ago."

LaRue had a kind of general store here in the Canal House. Too, he had accommodations in a back-yard barn for the mule "engines" that trudged along the tow-path pulling flatboats. The barn, incidentally, was wiped out during the flood of 1955. Mrs. Nellie Carroll, who now owns the Canal Shoppe, said boat owners would anchor their boats near the store for the night. (Mrs. Carroll has completely restored the four-story home-shop.)

"The men slept in the boats, and the mules were put up in the barn," she explains.

Not long ago when the shop was being renovated, Mrs.

Carroll discovered pounds of sugar beneath the old floor boards. Along with some coffee, the sugar was probably stowed there during Prohibition Days.

And, so it was in this little inauspicious shop slaves stopped for the day and were guided by the north star at night on their way to freedom via Bucks County flatboats. The worst was over by the time they reached the Canal Shoppe. There was many a near-miss trip to the little refuge however, like the one arranged by sympathizer William Lloyd of Dolington. Lloyd had agreed to put a Negro youth up at his farm for the night when he heard about an all-out search for the boy. He picked up the youth at a Newtown market, hid him in a haywagon, and kept him at his home until the next boat came to the Canal House.

... until the next freedom train rode the URR.

The Canal Shoppe at Yardley, a former Underground RR stop.





MAY 1 & 2, 1965

AGGIES STAGE "A" DAY

Bucks County's Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture in Doylestown, each year sponsors a field day, where students in the various departments may show off their projects to parents, fellow students and the general public. This annual affair is known as "A-Day", and has become an event eagerly looked forward to by area persons and students alike.





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SPRING

A Spring Preview of Easter Clothes
as featured in the Bucks County Shops

by
Peggy Gehoe

(Photos by Richard Kaplinski)

Swinging open the gate to spring, is Jewel Renner, VOGUE SHOPPE'S lovely model, wearing an ever-classic glen plaid brown tweed suit. With it she wears a large lime green rough straw roller. The bag is by Jaelyn. (Suit \$18.95, Hat \$5.95, Bag \$4.95)

(Setting - James Lorah House)





Designers hail the return of NAVY blue this spring, and here Jewel Renner is chic in a navy cupioni dress and matching jacket. The jacket is trimmed in maise linen and the dress is a "go-everywhere" style, with deep neck and short sleeves. Large Breton sailor is also Navy. Jacket dress by Len Stuart - \$19.95 Hat - \$5.95 Bag \$4.95 VOGUE SHOPPE

Spring brings a dearth of proms and dances. Jewel selects a demure prom gown with a blue linen bodice, and bell skirt of nylon organza, with blue shiffi embroidered flowers encircling the skirt. Gown \$29.95 Evening gloves \$3.95 from VOGUE SHOPPE. (Setting-VOGUE SHOPPE Doylestown)



Dressed for the Easter parade is charming Ellouise Roeger (right) in a blue wool LASSIE, JR. coat from MUSSELMAN'S. It features the new straight lines and is double breasted. At the neck is a lovely polka dot scarf. (Coat - \$45.00 Scarf - \$1.25)



Fight off chilly spring days and evenings in a fur jacket, from BLEAM'S FURS of Quakertown.

Mrs. William D. Ford shows off her youthful Breton sailor style hat of cornflower blue and leaf green flowers, dotted with tiny pearls. \$8.95 (MABEL KELLER'S HAT SHOP)





What is the Easter Parade to the ladies, without a new bright gay Easter hat? MABEL KELLER'S HAT SHOP, Doylestown is filled with the lovely creations. Mrs. A. Luther Nash (above) selects a rough white straw bedecked over the crown with roses of white, rose and green, set off with a green velvet ribbon. (\$11.95)

Every gal needs a new Spring suit, and Elluoise Roeger (left) has selected this blue wool "Junior Image" suit from MUSSELMAN'S, Doylestown. It has the new low cut neckline, that is so versatile. With it she carries a Letisse bag of Seton leather. (Suit-\$39.95 Bag - \$8.98)

A large pink silk cabbage rose sets off the spring elegance of the black woven straw braid hat that Mrs. William J. Kane has selected. It has a tiny rolled brim. \$8.95 (MABEL KELLER'S HAT SHOP.)





Every Easter Parade must have the little girls. (from l. to r.) To top off a little checked suit, a little miss would like this red grained leather cut out oxford with ghillie tie. (\$8.50) Is she wearing pink nylon? It needs this soft white patent leather Mary Jane by Edwards. (\$7.95) Also shown in the traditional black patent leather single strap style. (\$7.50) All from NYCE'S SHOE STORE.

A good suit shoe, in the light delicate look for the Easter Parade, is this two toned bone and beige Fashion Craft pump. It features a graceful slim high heel. (\$9.99) A postman type pouch bag is a perfect match in the two tones. (\$3.44) The standard black calf pump, takes on a new look of Spring too, with cut out side interest. Natural Bridge (\$13.99) From NYCE'S SHOE STORE, Doylestown.

Shoe news for the Easter Parade, features the fresh, light and delicate look in shoes and purses. (l. to r.) Pale bone pump by Fashion Craft. Notice the little girl heel so popular this season. (\$9.99) To set off your spring sportswear, girls will like these light bone sueded pigskin flat by KiYak. (\$7.98) To go with either shoe, is a soft elongated purse in bone. (\$3.44) (NYCE'S SHOE STORE)



SWING INTO SPRING

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Spring also comes to the gals in the kitchen. Jewel looks cute in her pink and white checked slack set by Bobbie Brooks. It is made of gingham and the ruffles are eyelet embroidered. (Slack set \$10.95) VOGUE SHOPPE of Perkasie and Doylestown (Setting Model kitchen - NYCE'S PLANING MILL)

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Judy Klumpp suggests this lovely orlon acrylic knit (and it sports a WASHABLE tag) for the Beatle crowd. This CINDERELLA suit is a delightful pale blue, with floral trim at the waist. (\$18.00) Girls department at MUSSELMAN'S, Doylestown.

Looking admiringly at the little Miss Easter bunny, is pretty Barbara Bailey. She is dressed in a green & white printed pique with a green sateen bow, from MUSSELMAN'S collection of charming CINDERELLA dresses, for the young set. (\$7.98) (Bunny courtesy of FOSTER'S TOY STORE.)

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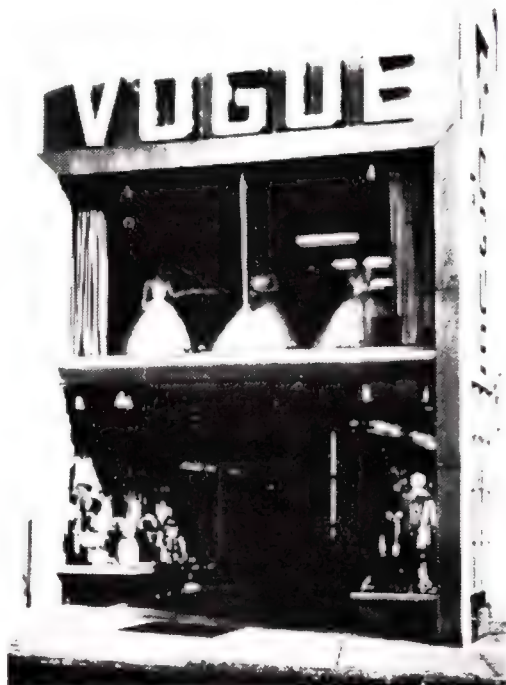
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Dot Keller, chaplain of Navy Wives Clubs of America Wings #218 initiates new members at a recent meeting held at Willow Grove Naval Air Station. The initiation consists of repeating the Navy Wives Clubs of America pledge and lighting the candle of friendship. (Official U. S. Navy Photo)

NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP FEDERATED WOMEN'S CLUB

A new branch of the Bucks County Division of Federated Women's Club had its first meeting in November of 1964 in Northampton Township. By the close of its second meeting in December appropriate by-

laws were drawn, officers elected, and subsequently installed by Mrs. Rudolph Smith, president of the Bucks County Federation. Forty-nine charter members were recorded.

Realizing that the club had joined the Federation at a very late date the members began immediately to participate in civic projects. Under the direction of Mrs. Arthur L. Klein members and other interested women collected \$526.26 in the Mother's March of Dimes. The February meeting brought a vote to contribute a \$100.00 scholarship toward tuition of a deserving student from Northampton Township to the new Community College. Several other projects are being planned, including a spring dance.

The Northampton Township Woman's Club meets the second Thursday of every month in the Community Room of the Holland Shopping Center. Anyone interested in membership is invited to call Mrs. Leon Bonner, membership chairman, El-5-1975.

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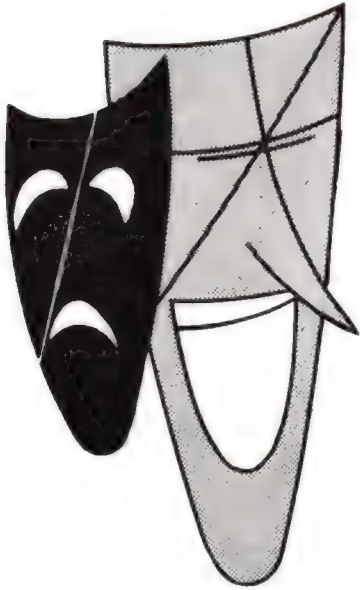
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A recital by the brilliant 19 year old Israeli violinist, Itzhak Perlman, has been scheduled by Congregation Adath Jeshurun, Elkins Park, for Sunday evening, May 2, 1965 at 8:30 P.M. as the next event in the Congregation's continuing Festival of Arts. Mr. Perlman has created a whirlwind of interest and admiration of his talents here in the United States with appearances on national television and a national tour with the Israel Youth Symphony Orchestra. Area residents had an opportunity to see him perform at the Academy of Music for the

first time on October 18, 1964 as soloist with that orchestra. A noted critic, in a lengthy discussion of Mr. Perlman in the January 15 issue of Time Magazine, said of him, "His ability and general knowledge of music are so superb and so extraordinary that his technique and manual ability are taken as a matter of course. Beyond all that, Perlman created a tonal feeling which sings in the ear and shakes the soul".

The recital will be held in the Congregation's newly constructed and air conditioned A. P. Orleans Auditorium, located at York and Ashbourne Roads, Elkins Park.



(Photo Courtesy S. Hurock)

BC PLAYHOUSE SETS SCHEDULE

Walter Perner, new producer at The Bucks County Playhouse has announced several of the plays at New Hope's popular Bucks County Playhouse for the 1965 season. The attractions will bring many top name Broadway and Hollywood performers to the area.

The shows run for two weeks each, with no performances on Sunday.

May 1 — "The Hostage", starring Julie Harris

May 17 — "Mary, Mary", by Jean Kerr, starring Shari Lewis

May 31 — "Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolf", starring Colleen Dewhurst and James Daly.

June 14 — "Tom Jones" — no cast announced

Aug. 9 — "The Solid Gold Cadillac" starring Pearl Bailey.

Five other shows will be scheduled, but have yet to be announced.

MUSIC CIRCUS OPENS MAY 29

The Lambertville Music Circus has announced that they will open the music tent on May 29 over in Lambertville, with the first show tentatively listed as "The King and I".

As soon as the full schedule is announced, Panorama will have the complete listing for easy reference.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLAYERS SCHEDULE BALANCED THEATER FARE FOR '65 SEASON

Mrs. Mary Hindle, Chalfont, president of Town & Country Players, has announced a schedule of balanced theater fare for the 1965 summer season at the Players Barn, Bucks County's only theater-in-the-round, located on R. 263 west of Buckingham, Pa.

Offerings for the coming season range from theater-of-the absurd, through modern and situation comedy to a tragedy by Eugene O'Neill, Mrs. Hindle said.

Opening the season will be the first appearance on a Bucks County stage of the avant-garde work of controversial playwright Edward Albee coupled with the theatre of the absurd form represented by Eugene Ionesco, also an area first. Town & Country will be presenting Albee's American Dream in combination with Ionesco's "Bald Soprano" on May 14, 15, 21 and 22.

On June 18, 19, 25 and 26, the local group will stage Garson Kanin's everpopular "Born Yesterday".

The cartoons and stories of the late humorist James Thurber will come to life on the Players arena stage on July 30 and 31 and August 6 and 7 with the presentation of "A Thurber Carnival".

Rounding out the season will be the performance of "A Touch of the Poet", last play completed by the late Eugene O'Neill, on Sept. 10, 11, 17, 18.

Mrs. Hindle reported that reserved night ticket prices for the 1965 season will remain at \$1.50. Benefit performances are available for any of the shows scheduled. Information on benefits is available from Mrs. Jean Gendall, 8 Hickory Drive, Doylestown, Pa.

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"SOUTH PACIFIC" SCHEDULED BY NVMT

The embryonic stages of the Neshaminy Valley Music Theater took place back in 1956 when a group of parents and teachers produced an operetta called "The Waltz Dream" for the benefit of the Lower Southampton Elementary School. Afterward a small group of people gathered together at the home of Evelyn McLean in Feasterville and said to themselves, "wasn't that fun? . . . let's do it again!"

Thus, in 1957, the group organized under the name of the Neshaminy Valley Music Theater and produced "The Red Mill" in the Neshaminy Senior High School. In 1958 "The Merry Widow". Then in 1959 they "tried their wings" with a more modern musical, "Plain and Fancy". The group felt that it was now maturing and gaining in confidence. They were also showing profits to maintain their scholarship fund, which was the original purpose of the group. "Oklahoma," "Carousel", "Brigadoon", "The Most Happy Fella", "Kiss Me Kate", kept the rise of the 'music star' streaking across the sky.

"South Pacific" has been chosen as this year's annual production, under the direction of Charles Fisher. Fisher produces the daytime TV show "Edge of Night".

"South Pacific", the ninth show the group has done, will be presented April 23, 24, 30 and May 1 at The Neshaminy Senior High School, and is open to the public.



These scenes were taken during rehearsals of Neshaminy Valley Music Theatre's presentation of "South Pacific". Above, the dancers high stepping for choreographer, Mary Ruch. Below, we see "Emile" played by Roy Nelson introducing his children, played by Nancy Yerkes and Tony Fischer, to "Nellie", played by Virginia Bachalis. The show South Pacific is one of the top musical shows of this century. The Neshaminy Valley Music Theatre has raised \$6775.00 to date for scholarships for students of Neshaminy High School interested in continuing their education in the fine arts. (Photos by Robin Garb)



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PLAYERS SET SCHEDULE

The Dutch Country Players opened their season last month with the play "Everybody Loves Opal", and have set the following schedule for the balance of the season:

May 7,8,15,21,22 — "Murder Mistaken"

June 25,26, July 3,9,10 — "The Champagne Complex"

August 27,28, Sept. 4,10,11 — "By Hex"

October 22,23,30, Nov. 5,6 — "Come Blow Your Horn".

Plays are staged at the Players Playhouse, south of Green Lane on Route 563, one mile east of intersecting with Route 63.



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15 MORRISVILLE — "Candlelight Dinner" — Fund Raising project of Historic Fallsington, Inc. — Tavern Restoration. — Pennsbury Manor.

20-21-22 NEWTOWN — "TV or Not TV" — Variety Show, Council Rock High School Auditorium, Richboro Road.

21 - July 5 NEW HOPE — "Scenes in Miniature" — Parry Barn. Model rooms, trees, trains, etc.

22 HILLTOWN — Horse Show—Hilltown Lions. Buxmont Riding Ring, Hilltown Civic Assn. grounds, Route 152 — 10 a.m.

22 WARRINGTON — Ball, benefit Doylestown Hospital —Warrington Country Club.

23 WASHINGTON CROSSING — Memorial Day Exercises, American Legion.

23 YARDLEY—Clothesline Art Exhibit, Yardley Artists' Assn., S. Main Street Parking Center.

29-30 COUNTY WIDE MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCES.

30 PIPERSVILLE — Hearthstone Farm Junior Horse Show, sponsored by The Men of Tohickon, Stump Road. 9:00 a.m. - all day.

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Around The County



April 1965

When you sit down at this time next month to read your copy of PANORAMA you will note many changes in the magazine. We felt perhaps PANORAMA could use a "new look", and that's just what happens starting with the May 1965 issue. If you are not now a subscriber, send in your subscription so you won't miss a single interest-packed issue.

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The Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce has elected a new slate of officers to serve for the next year. Doylestown Printer CHARLES VERRO of the Doylestown Printing and Publishing Co. is the new president. JAMES McLAUGHLIN is 1st vice president; RAYMOND SIMON is 2nd vice president, RONALD GOERNER is Treasurer and ELEANOR JOHNSON is Secretary. A Good Group!

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Plans are already afoot for the Bucks County Board of Realtors to celebrate "Realtor Week" next month, May 23-29.

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The Yardley News offered some rather startling news the other week — "Americans eat more Pizza Pie than Italians do . . . by a big majority." That is rather interesting, don't you think? The Italians eat more garlic than anyone else and are tied with Egypt for top consumption of salami. Try to slip this information into conversation at the next party you attend. It'll wow them!

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We wish to thank our good reader WILLIAM W. HARDY of Longmeadow, Mass., who first alerted us to the story in last month's Panorama about John A. Die-mand. Mr. Hardy, an agent for The Insurance Company of North America, sent us a copy of the story as it appeared in their publication "INA World". We felt Bucks County readers of Panorama might enjoy reading about this fine Bucks Countian, so we arranged with INA to reprint the story last month. Thanks Mr. Hardy and INA for the fine co-operation.

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ADVANCE NOTICE — The Bucks County Guild of Craftsmen will have their annual show at the Parry Barn, New Hope, starting with a preview on August 26 and run through September 25. Arrangements have been worked out through the co-operation of The New Hope Historical Society. This is always a most interesting show of local craft work, and we advise you to mark the dates on your calendar, so you won't miss it.

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Congratulations to MILLARD ("Shorty") RENNER on the opening of his new insurance offices in Perkasio. Shorty represents Western Reserve Life Assurance Co. of Ohio. They offer a rather unusual and most interesting savings plan. Panorama readers are familiar with Shorty's "better half", Jewel Renner, who models for The Vogue Shoppe.



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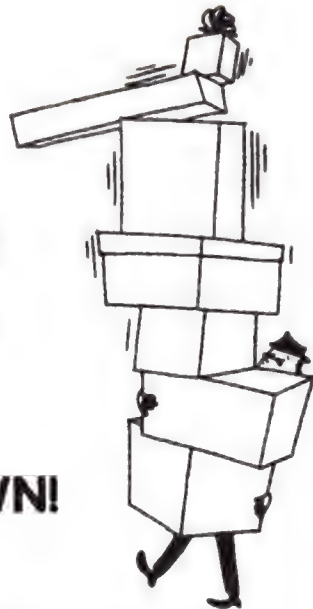
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We offer congratulations to new parents — Mr. & Mrs. BILL BENKERT, ED KISTER and BOB DUNSTON. These smiling folks became parents in March. We had the pleasure of getting cigars from all.

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Commander H. L. DUFF has been named the first president of the newly formed Guardian Toastmaster's Club at The NAS, Willow Grove. (Official US Navy Photo)

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HOWARD MIURA, a member of the staff of The Bucks County Planning Commission, recently resigned to accept the post of Planning Director for the city of Wilkes Barre.

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The 1965 Central Bucks Jaycee Distinguished Service Award went to Major John B. Case, Warden of the Bucks County Prison. Major Case has received much well deserved recognition for the fine work he's doing at the prison.

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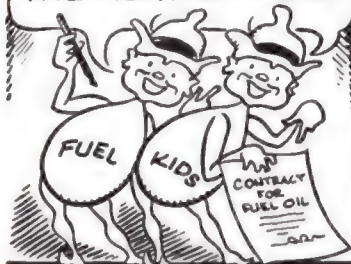
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Congratulations to JOE SER-RATORE and JOE McCONNELL, the new owners of The Bal Tavern in Plumsteadville. Both of these gents are well known in the Central Bucks area and should do well in their new venture.

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STAN KAROL has opened a coin shop in Doylestown at the location of the former Federal Savings and Loan office at 17 West Court Street. In addition to a line of American coins, Mr. Karol also carries antiques and antique guns.

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ROGER CONDUIT, a columnist for this magazine over the past few years, took his new bride and went to Florida to manage the Hollywood office of the Ritter Finance Company.

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JOHN NORRIS is back from the Army for a short leave before reporting to Ft. Dix, N. J., for advanced training.

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Mr. & Mrs. HOWARD AGNEW have moved to Boston, Mass., from the County Seat. He is employed with Abbott Labs.

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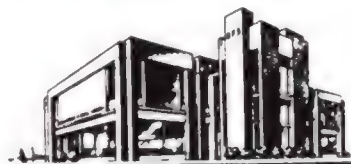
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JOE ASTROTH, former catcher for the Philadelphia Athletics and now Chalfont area resident and businessman has filed as a GOP candidate for The Chalfont Borough Council.

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Speaking of Chalfont, The Fire Company is already hard at work on the plans for the annual Carnival, to be held July 20 thru 24, 1965.

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Up in Danboro, "The Danboro Sandwich Shop" has undergone extensive remodeling. We were informed that they offer a fine catering service for parties and banquets, that has proven very popular and successful.

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While on the subject of The Danboro Sandwich Shop, we had best mention that BEA SMITH is a grandma now with the birth of her granddaughter, KELLY JO REBLOCK, back in February. The proud parents are former Doylestown folks, Mr. & Mrs. JOHN REBLOCK. They now reside in Glenside and we understand "Grandma Smith" is burning up the highways regularly between Danboro and Glenside to see the new offspring.

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Thanks to WILLIS RIVINUS for sending us a copy of his most interesting booklet, "The Red Man in Bucks County". We hope to be able to review the book in next month's PANORAMA.

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SCOTT TUTT, son of Doylestown Police Chief KEN TUTT, appeared on TV's "What's My Line" recently and stumped the panel. Tutt is a snowmaker up in New York State. A graduate of Central Bucks High School, he will enter college next fall.

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A bit of nostalgia — We recently read in the papers of the death of BRUCE BEEMER in Oxford, Michigan. This might not mean anything to you, UNLESS you were a fan of "The Lone Ranger" on radio as we were. Mr. Beemer portrayed the masked man from 1941 to 1954 on this popular radio series. Remember??

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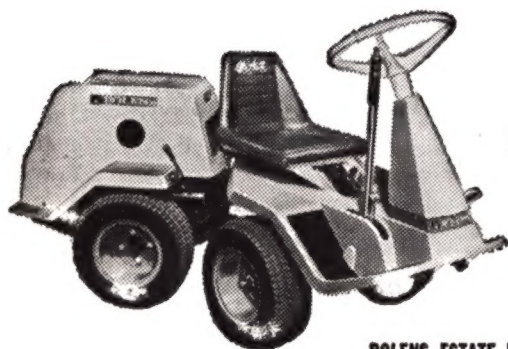
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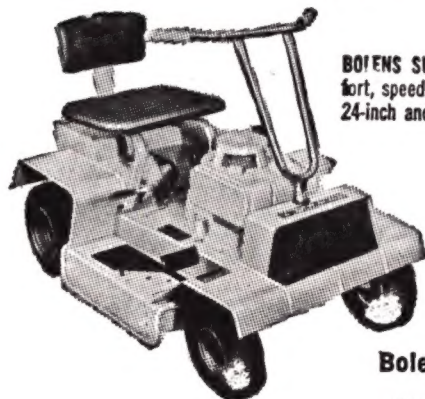
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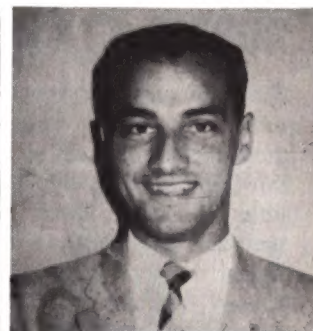
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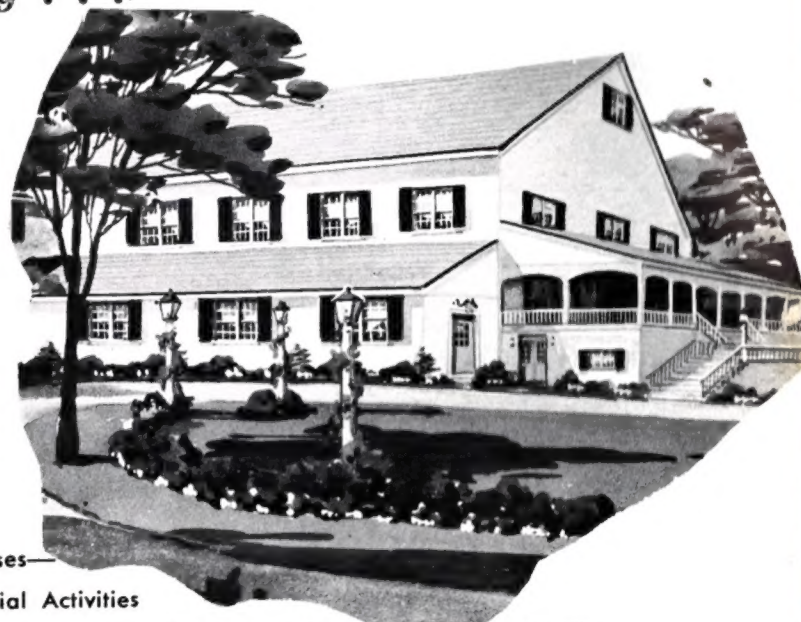
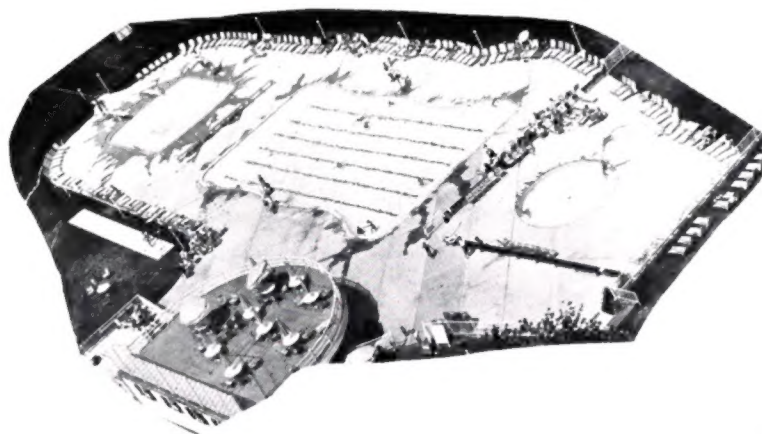
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